

FOUGHT MEXICAN WAR

Aztec Club Veterans Meet Here and Elect Officers.

J. J. MARTIN MADE PRESIDENT

Banquet in the Evening Attended by Distinguished Guests—Hon. J. W. Yerkes, Gen. E. F. Elliott, and Admiral Schley Among Those Who Responded to the Toasts.

Following the close of the national encampment of the Order of United Spanish War Veterans, the youngest military organization in the United States, was yesterday's annual meeting of the Aztec Club, one of the oldest and composed of members who, like the younger veterans who thronged the streets of Washington last week, saw service in a foreign country, unlike the heroes of the civil war, the "embattled farmers" of the Revolution, or the participants in the numerous conflicts with the aborigines which have marked the history of America.

The Aztec Club was formed in the City of Mexico, October 13, 1847, within a month after the occupation of that capital by Gen. Scott and his army, known as "The Army of Mexico." Its membership was originally limited to commissioned officers who served in that army; but later, after the reorganization of 1863, one descendant of each officer was admitted under the law of primogeniture; so it is seen that the organization can never be large in numbers. In fact, its total membership is only about 200, of whom but 10 per cent are among the original members.

Business Session Yesterday.
Yesterday's meeting opened with a business session at the Shoreham, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Hon. J. J. Martin, of Atlanta, Ga., who commanded a South Carolina regiment during the war; vice president, Gen. R. C. Drum, U. S. A., whose home is at Bethesda, Md.; secretary, Edward Trenchard, of New York; treasurer, William Turnbull, also of the metropolis.

The retiring president, Gen. S. G. French, presided at the meeting. The other officers elected simply stepped up one rank, following the military rule of promotion inherent in the club. The primary members who were present yesterday, and who are residents of Washington, are Maj. W. H. French, Gen. O. B. Wilcox, Gen. R. C. Drum, Gen. Rucker, Gen. H. G. Gibson, Gen. Robert M. Murray, Hon. Edward Trenchard, the retiring secretary, McRae Sykes, is a member by the law of primogeniture.

Received by President.
At 7 o'clock last evening the members of the club were received by President Roosevelt at the White House, after which they returned to the Shoreham, where a banquet was served, at which the guests included J. G. Stokes, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Col. J. P. Withers, U. S. A.; Robert Ridgway, New York; Murray Cobb, E. O. Hiller, G. M. Tower, Charles McFay, W. C. Ross, Gen. G. F. Elliott, United States Marine Corps; Hon. George C. Gorham, Hon. J. W. Yerkes, collector of Internal Revenue, and Admiral Winfield Scott Schley.

Elaborate Toast List.
An elaborate list of toasts had been prepared, the subjects and the speakers being: "To the President," Hon. J. W. Yerkes; "The Army of Mexico and Winfield Scott," Gen. Marcus J. Wright; "The Army of Occupation and Zachary Taylor," Hon. J. J. Martin; "The Conquest of California," Hon. G. C. Gorham; "The Marine Corps," Gen. E. F. Elliott; "The Army and Navy," Gen. G. C. Bates; "Our Comrades whose statue is soon to be unveiled by loving hands and loving hearts—George B. McClellan," Gen. H. G. Gibson; "The Noble Trio," Winfield Scott, Winfield Scott Hancock, and Winfield Scott Schley—two of our household, and one of our honored guest, Admiral W. S. Schley; "The two bravest leaders of our army, who were discarded, discredited, disbelieved—Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee," Gen. R. C. Drum; "Chaplain McCarthy, as a soldier of the Cross, as a servant of the Republic, he nobly represents the mission of the one, the commission of the other," Rev. William Taylor Snyder.

Gen. Gibson Talks.
Gen. Gibson, in conversation with a Herald reporter, last evening, said: "I was not in the City of Mexico at the time of the formation of the Aztec Club in 1847, for the reason that I was stationed with my regiment at Pueblo, which was garrisoned with our troops; but I became a member shortly after."

"This is the fourth time our annual meeting has been held in Washington since the reorganization of the society in 1899. Once, we were entertained in Philadelphia by Gen. Patterson, and then our president, and once we were entertained in the White House, by Gen. Grant, when President of the United States, for Grant was one of our primary members; he was a lieutenant under Gen. Scott. There are few, very few, of our original comrades alive to-day; but we who survive feel as young as ever in the patriotic motives which inspired us sixty years ago."

The badge of the Aztec Club is a hand-shaped design—an eight-pointed star, pendant from a ribbon of blue, green and white, the colors of Mexico. The star is of gold, and bears on one side the arms and colors of the United States, and on the reverse those of Mexico.

The members who attended yesterday afternoon's meeting are Gen. R. C. Drum, Gen. H. G. Gibson, James Malcolm Horry, Charles Porterfield, James W. Anderson, William Stone Albert, J. Kennedy Stout, A. S. Nicholson, U. S. M. C.; James Morris Morgan, Thomas H. Johnston, Judge J. J. Martin, George A. Porterfield, Barry Macbush, Benjamin L. M. Sower, E. G. Craig, Maj. John Biddle Porter, U. S. A.; McRae Sykes, Rev. William Taylor Snyder, J. Reynolds Snyder, major, Sixth United States Cavalry; Capt. E. W. Loughbaugh, Anderson, Clarence H. Eagle, R. C. Drum Hart.

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HOAR'S CONDITION CRITICAL.

Physicians After Consultation Refuse to Discuss Ailment.

Worcester, Mass., Oct. 13.—The failure of Congressman Rockwood Hoar to respond to treatment is causing the utmost alarm to his friends. To-day the appearance there of Dr. Frederick Shattuck, head of Harvard Medical School, was the cause of additional alarm, as it was felt that in spite of the reports his condition must indeed be serious. His physicians have all along stated that he was suffering from pneumonia and severe pains in the head, which affected his eyesight, and deny the rumor of Bright's disease. After the consultation at Gen. Hoar's residence this afternoon, the three physicians declined to talk.

CRAZED FATHER KILLS SIX.

Wife, Four Children, and Self Victims of Tennessee Farmer.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 13.—Becoming suddenly insane, Chalmers McIntosh, aged fifty years, and one of the most prominent farmers of Cooke County, today murdered his wife and four children, fatally injured two other children, and then committed suicide by cutting his throat.

The tragedy was enacted at the McIntosh home near Newport, Tenn. An ax was the weapon used for the deadly work. The wife and children were brained and death was instantaneous. The two children, who are still alive, cannot recover, their skulls having been crushed.

BOOMERS HOLD BANQUET

Return of Special Train from Trade Trip Is Celebrated.

"Greater Washington" Was Theme of All Those Present and Many Speeches Were Made.

About fifty persons, representing business houses, the Evening Star, the trade bodies of the city, and invited guests, gathered around the table last night in the red room of the New Willard to celebrate the return to Washington of the Star special train.

"Everybody's happy" was the slogan of the evening, and judging from the talk after the feast, much of which was eloquent and inspiring, the participants in the trip brought back to the city some of the enthusiasm and optimism which seemed to characterize the trip from beginning to end.

A few minutes before 10 o'clock C. J. Bell, president of the Jobbers and Shippers' Association, rose and named Thomas Noyes toastmaster. From that time until midnight the trip was described by those who participated in it, its results summed up by those who did not go, and many prophecies were made of the good effect of the experiment upon the city for months and years to come.

The key-note of the gathering was that the work of building up the Greater Washington should not lag, but should be carried on with an energy equal to that with which it had begun. Railroad officials, merchants, editors, and men of affairs, all had a good word to say for Washington, and a complement for the Evening Star, which planned the trip was described by those who participated in it, its results summed up by those who did not go, and many prophecies were made of the good effect of the experiment upon the city for months and years to come.

The speakers were Commissioner Henry R. F. Macfarland, T. L. Townsend, George H. Harries, R. P. Andrews, Theodore Noyes, R. F. Guy, Edgar Shaw, Col. Walter C. Coleman, Woodworth Chalmers, J. Bell, Victor J. Becker, J. L. Tucker, and Irving C. Norwood.

Letters of regret were read from Senator John W. Daniel, Gen. John M. Wilcox, Scott C. Egan, John F. Wilkins, Col. John Biddle, and Commissioner Harry West.

One of the enjoyable features of the evening was the reading, in lieu of a speech by Irving C. Norwood, of a letter given him by the editor of the local paper of Bedford, Va., who took offense at the complimentary remarks made by Mr. Norwood of the condition of the streets of Bedford, when the train stopped at that place.

The following invited guests were present: James P. Oyster, president Business Men's Association; Henry R. F. Macfarland, District Commissioner; William F. Rude, secretary Business Men's Association; Edgar D. Shaw, editor Times; Col. Walter C. Coleman, Seaboard Air Line Railroad; Gen. George H. Harries, secretary Board of Trade; T. W. Noyes, T. C. Noyes, F. W. Herron, Irving C. Norwood, J. L. Tucker, Le Roy W. Herron, Fleming Newbold, and Victor Knuffmann, all of the Evening Star; Louis P. Shoemaker and Woodworth Chalmers, assistant secretaries Jobbers and Shippers' Association.

NAVAL CADETS GIVE DANCE.
Annapolis Social Season Is Formally Opened with Many Guests.

Annapolis, Md., Oct. 12.—The winter social season at the Naval Academy and in the city formally began to-night, the initial function being a hop, given by the midshipmen in the armory building at the Naval Academy. The midshipmen have arranged a series of fifteen such events, to be given during the winter, and in addition the naval officers will also tender several dances. To-night's dance was well attended, the guests being from Washington, Baltimore, and other places, many of whom attended the Navy-Prince-ton football game to-day.

New Army and Navy School.

Candidates for the forthcoming examinations for commissions in the army and Marine Corps will be interested in knowing that the Army and Navy Preparatory School, which was started a new school, the Army and Navy School, 140 Harvard street, Mr. Dowd is well known to a large number of candidates in the various branches of the service, who have had the benefit of his instructions in the past three or four years.

Would Become Army Officers.

The War Department made public yesterday the list of candidates designated to take examination for appointment as second lieutenants in the army. Thirty-five enlisted men, nine honor graduates of military schools, and twenty-nine civilians are designated. The examination will be held at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., beginning on December 2.

MOVEMENTS OF NAVAL VESSELS.

Arrived: Dolphin, at Navy Yard, N. Y.; Des Moines, Celtic, and Hamhat, at Norfolk; Marcella, at Monte Cristi, Yantic, at Boston; Charles, at New Haven.

Sailed: Hopkins, from Navy Yard, N. Y., for League Island.

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Alexandria Negro Tells Court He Shot Elzey.

SAYS HE IS COCAINE VICTIM

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Alexandria News Notes.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU.
Corner Prince and George Streets.

Alexandria, Va., Oct. 13.—At 12:25 to-night, after having been out an hour and twenty-five minutes, the jury in the case of the State against Howard Banks, colored, charged with the murder of Thomas Elzey on the night of October 4, last, returned a verdict of guilty. This is the first time in the past fifteen years that a similar verdict has been rendered by a jury here.

Attorneys for the defense made a motion for a new trial and argument on the motion will be heard on October 23.

The taking of testimony in the case was resumed in the Corporation Court this morning, Judge Louis C. Barley presiding. At 4 o'clock this afternoon Banks was placed on the stand to testify. Banks was apparently indifferent to his surroundings and at times he could hardly be heard, as he spoke in a low and inaudible tone. The prisoner said that he was twenty-one years of age and had known Elzey for a period of nine years. Attorney Clarence, representing the prisoner, produced the pistol with which Banks did the shooting and asked his client where he got same. Banks said that he had purchased the weapon from a colored man named Joe Harris. He stated that he purchased it for no particular purpose. The prisoner then gave an account of his doings on the night of October 4 up to the time of the tragedy.

He stated that he purchased on that night one pint of gin, and afterward three colored men, including himself, went upstairs in the saloon where the shooting occurred and consumed two pints of gin and twelve bottles of beer. The prisoner also testified that he used cocaine on an average of two or three times a week, and on the night in question he had earlier in the evening taken of the drug. In response to a question by his attorney as to the effects of the drug, he said it makes the victim feel big and curious, and also makes him feel as if he were very wealthy. The prisoner also said that he and cocaine made him crazy. The prisoner concluded his statement by saying that he shot Elzey, but did not know why.

When court reconvened to-night all available space was filled with interested spectators.

The prosecution was conducted by Commonwealth Attorney Samuel G. Brent. Attorneys for the defense were Robert Bryant and Clarence Grady, both colored. The shooting of Elzey by Banks occurred on the night of October 4 in a saloon in the northeastern section of the city. Banks made good his escape, and he gave himself up to the police the following morning. On that morning he was given a preliminary hearing in the Police Court and the same day he was indicted by the grand jury.

Cocaine Peddler Fined.

In the Police Court this morning Sarah Catlett, William alias "Sam" Miller, Noah Green, John Quill, Samuel Dudley, Jerry Simpson, Robert Bryant, John Bryant, and Clarence Grady, all colored, were arraigned before Justice Catton to answer the charge of selling cocaine without a license. Over twenty-five witnesses, men and women, were examined, but little definite information was obtained from them as to the whereabouts of evidence, however, was against William alias "Sam" Miller, and the court imposed a fine of \$100 upon him. In default of payment Miller was remanded to jail.

It developed during the hearing that a large number of the colored people who live in the northeastern section of the city, who daily live in distress, are victims of the cocaine business. It is believed, however, that the cocaine business is largely upon conditions in Cuba. With peaceful conditions, there is believed a good market could be found for the firm's Cuban securities.

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Ilam Nelson Cromwell dryly. "From all I can find out about him he wasn't that kind of a patriot."

From conversation with many bankers and business men having large interests in Cuba it appears to be pretty well established that the fugitive Cuban was the most notorious lobbyist on the island. In all matters relating to appropriations, franchises, and in general, accounts affecting private business interests, he was influential, and more so than any other man, with the legislature of the short-lived republic.

His greatest stroke of business in this profession, it is conceded by all familiar with the reports teeming in Havana a year ago, was the appropriation of \$10,000,000 in cash and \$12,000,000 in bonds for the payment of the remaining half of the Cuban soldiers' warrants. This appropriation was secured last year.

According to Mr. Ceballos, his house paid to Silveira amounts ranging from \$5 to \$100,000 on the dollar for the \$10,000,000 warrants secured by Ceballos & Co. Assuming that the many other American and foreign bankers, who purchased from him, paid a same amount, or the sake of argument, assuming that \$0 cents on the dollar was the price left to him, there still remained to Silveira a margin of profit of 90 per cent, but it is clearly estimated that the soldiers did not receive more than an average of 50 per cent for the warrants they sold.

Made Huge Profits.
Silveira, as was stated by one of the bankers interested in an authorized interview Friday, was the collector not only for Ceballos, but other bankers, both in this city and abroad. He had a profit of 50 per cent coming to him on the payment of the warrants, while he must have been interested in at least \$100,000,000 of them. Thus, if he had been interested in but a quarter of the warrants, more than \$25,000,000 for profit and working expenses.

The report of a \$50,000,000 corruption fund to secure the passage of the appropriation bill was everywhere current in Havana at the time the bill was passed. He said a man who was in Havana on business at the time.

"The developments that have been brought out since Silveira's flight may give a clue to the course of his flight."

Silveira's prominence as a lobbyist is interesting, also, in a report that he was interested with William Tecumseh Sherman, of gambling fame, in that venturesome individual's project for the establishment of a race track near Havana.

Barbridge, who is recalled as the proprietor of the gambling house with the mirror staircase, at 32 West Thirty-third street, which was put out of business by one of Jerome's spectacular raids. He has since spent much of his time in Havana. He opened an elaborately fitted gambling place which was closed by the police, but since then he appears to have come to an understanding with the Cuban authorities.

Silveira Interested in Track.
The report is, that the understanding was reached through the mediator of the arch lobbyist Silveira. For the last year much has been heard from this from time to time of a big race track in the suburb of Havana in which there was to be racing during the months the metropolitan season is closed.

Big Tim Sullivan and Frank Farrell have been said to be interested in the project, and it was said the track would be opened during the coming winter.

Silveira, according to the report, was interested in this scheme, securing stock not from the investment of capital, but as a return for influence with the authorities.

Ceballos, of course, knew nothing of this scheme, as for that matter the firm knew nothing of the whereabouts of Silveira. It has since learned, Silveira had an interest in. One of the members of the firm said he had heard considerable of the race-track project the last time he was in Havana, but though he was not now at all surprised to hear of Silveira's being in the game, the firm had no news to that effect.

An army of accountants are busily engaged in getting the affairs of the firm into tangible shape. It is believed that the worst is now known regarding the liabilities, and that the original estimate of \$15,000,000 will not be exceeded. The ability of the firm to carry on its business, it is believed, depends largely upon conditions in Cuba. With peaceful conditions, there is believed a good market could be found for the firm's Cuban securities.

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Santo Domingo Once More in Throes of a Revolution.

After All Arrangements for Surrender Had Been Made, Insurgents, 500 Strong, Ask Impossibilities.

When Everything Seemed so lovely in Santo Domingo, and plans had been made for a glorious ending of the revolution, 600 of the rebels withdrew to the woods about fifteen miles from Monte Cristi and made such demands on the government that peace is now impossible unless some new agreement can be reached. So the Dominicans are fighting among themselves again.

On October 10 Commander William H. H. Southard, commanding the American naval forces in Santo Domingo, cabled to Washington that on the following day, last Thursday, the rebels would surrender to the government forces at Monte Cristi, and a lasting peace would be declared. There was to have been a formal ceremony in connection with the surrender, and the government began to feel easy again. Unfortunately, however, the white-winged dove of peace failed to keep the engagement. Commander Southard cabled to the Navy Department yesterday that negotiations had failed, and that the government had directed the renewal of hostilities.

Following is his dispatch: "I regret to learn that the revolutionary leaders at last moment refused to stand by articles of agreement for the surrender. Revolutionary leaders have massed forces of about 500 men at a distance of fifteen miles and have demanded the most impossible terms. The President of Santo Domingo has directed the renewal of hostilities."

Washington officials regret that the break occurred. There is plan to float a big loan to settle the foreign and internal debts of Santo Domingo, and whether there is peace in the republic is likely to make a good deal of difference to those who have undertaken to raise the loan.

DAILY COURT RECORD.
Court of Appeals.
Adjudged to Tuesday, October 15, 1906.

Assignments for Tuesday, October 15, 1906: Special calendar, Nos. 19 and 11.—United States of America vs. Egan, D. W. Baker—Thomas Taylor, attorney.

No. 1672.—Columbia National Seed Dressing Company vs. Morton.

No. 1681.—Sullivan Holdings vs. C. L. Mann.

No. 1671.—Simon Brown vs. Edmund Brady.

No. 1690.—Tuloso Computing Scale Company vs. Gordon.

No. 1693.—Shortleaves vs. Capital Traction Company.

No. 1694.—The Allegheny Fire Insurance Company vs. The Federal Insurance Company.

No. 1696.—John McFarlane vs. Patrick Kirby.

No. 69.—Thomas H. Dickford vs. Henry M. Talbot.

Equity Court No. 1.
JUSTICE STAFFORD.
No assignments.

Equity Court No. 2.
JUSTICE GOLD.
Assignment for Monday, October 15, 1906: Somerville vs. Stearns.

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